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HB 5462 An Act Concerning the Removal of Restrictive Covenants in Instruments Affecting Title to Real Property

Judiciary Committee
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Good day, Senator Winfield, Representative Stafstrom, Senator Kissel, Representative Fishbein, and the distinguished members of the Judiciary Committee. My name is Anna Posniak, I'm the Co-Chair of the Legislative Committee for the Connecticut Town Clerks Association (CTCA) and the Town Clerk of Windsor. Thank you for affording me the opportunity to submit this testimony which supports the continued efforts of HB 5462 to provide Connecticut residents the ability to renounce any previously recorded unlawful restrictive covenant. Since the inception of Public Act 21-173, Connecticut residents have successfully filed affidavits, at no charge, on the land records that condemned any racially restrictive covenant previously filed on the land records.

CTCA applauds the continued efforts to further encourage tolerance by providing traditionally marginalized groups, like those based on creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, or status as a veteran equal protection of the law.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit this written testimony on this important legislation.